

5 a pivotable lower structure supported by said upper structure;
 a plurality of ring members mounted to said lower structure; and
 at least one integral securing fastener for securing said ring binder to said base
AI member, said at least one securing fastener including,
 an engagement portion in direct engagement with the upper structure for attaching
 said securing fastener to said upper structure, and
10 securing elements for securing said ring binder to the base member, the securing
 elements each having a free end located at the end of the securing fastener farthest from the
 engagement portion, at least 75% of said elements extending away from a longitudinal axis of the
 engagement portion.

Please add the following new claims:

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comprising:
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5 28. A ring binder adapted to be secured to a base member, the ring binder
 comprising:
 a substantially rigid upper structure;
 a pivotable lower structure supported by said upper structure;
 a plurality of ring members mounted to said lower structure; and
 at least one integral securing fastener for securing said ring binder to said base
 member, said at least one securing fastener including,
 an engagement portion in direct engagement with the upper structure for attaching
 said securing fastener to said upper structure, and
10 securing elements for securing said ring binder to the base member, the securing
 elements each having substantially the same length, at least 75% of said elements extending away
 from a longitudinal axis of the engagement portion.

29. A ring binder adapted to be secured to a base member, the ring binder
comprising:
 a substantially rigid upper structure;
 a pivotable lower structure supported by said upper structure;
5 a plurality of ring members mounted to said lower structure; and
 at least one integral securing fastener for securing said ring binder to said base
 member, said at least one securing fastener including,
 an engagement portion in direct engagement with the upper structure for attaching
 said securing fastener to said upper structure, and